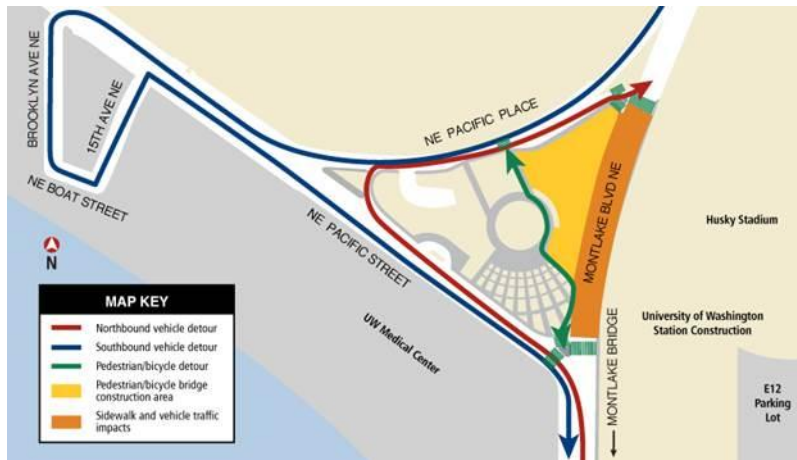


Northeast District Council

ANNOUNCEMENTS

APRIL 4, 2013

1. City Hall Open House: Saturday, April 6, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Join Mayor Mike McGinn, the City Council and City Attorney Pete Holmes at the City Hall Open House, featuring live music, food trucks, city departments and more. The event includes tables for different departments, tours of the Mayor's office, cupcake and hat decorating, and more.
2. Audubon Annual Spring Plant Sale: Saturday, April 6, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Seattle Audubon Nature Center, 8050 35th Avenue NE. Plants from Botanica, Colvos Creek Nursery, Discovery Gardens, Queenscup Nursery, Steamboat Island Nursery and Tadpole Haven Native Plants featured. For more information, call 206-523-4483.
3. NEST Presents: North East Seattle Together Informational Session: Saturday, April 6, 2:30-3:30 p.m., NE Seattle Library, 6801 35th Avenue NE. Come Discover the various ways you can become involved with NEST as a volunteer, member, or vendor. For more information, go to www.nestseattle.org, e-mail info@nestseattle.org or call 206- 525-6378.
4. Montlake Boulevard Weekend Closure: Saturday, April 6 (3 a.m.) through Monday, April 8, 2013 (5 a.m.) Construction of the University of Washington Station's pedestrian/bicycle bridge is ongoing. In order to continue building the bridge the contractor will need to close traffic lanes and sidewalks on Montlake Boulevard between NE Pacific Street and Place:



Northbound on Montlake:

- All northbound lanes on Montlake Boulevard including the east sidewalk will be closed.
- Northbound traffic must turn left from Montlake Boulevard onto NE Pacific Street, right onto NE Pacific Place and turn left back onto Montlake Boulevard at the signal.
- Pedestrians and Bicyclists will be detoured onto a temporary bike path around the triangle and Pacific Place.

Southbound on Montlake:

- All southbound lanes on Montlake Boulevard will be closed.

- Southbound traffic must turn right onto NE Pacific Place, left onto Brooklyn Ave NE, left onto NE Boat Street, left onto 15th Ave NE and right onto NE Pacific Street to the Montlake Bridge.
- The west sidewalk will be closed. Pedestrians and bicyclists will be detoured onto a temporary bike path around the triangle and Pacific Place.

For further information, please contact Sound Transit community outreach – Andrea Burnett at 206-398-5300 or andrea.burnett@soundtransit.org.

5. Community Meeting—Updating the School District's Strategic Plan: Saturday, April 6, 10 a.m.-noon, Garfield High School Commons. The updated plan will guide academic and operational priorities for the next three to five years and include ongoing benchmarking to measure the District's performance. The meeting will include a joint presentation by district staff and Pivot Learning Partners, the consultants hired to assist the district with the strategic planning process; a summary of the work of the Strategic Plan Task Force and an opportunity for community attendees to offer their perspectives verbally and/or in writing. The updated Strategic Plan is expected to be presented to the School Board for introduction at the June 19 Board meeting and for action at the July 3 Board meeting. To learn more about the District's Strategic Plan [click here](#) or go to <http://www.seattleschools.org>.
6. Laurelhurst Peace Garden Planning Meeting: Monday, April 8, 6:30-8:30, Laurelhurst Community Center. Neighbors have applied for a neighborhood matching fund grant to rejuvenate the Aki Kurose Peace Garden at Laurelhurst Elementary School on the south playground near the gym. The existing garden was originally dedicated in 1997, in honor of Laurelhurst teacher and peace activist Aki Kurose, whose work spanned six decades including housing desegregation campaigns, anti-war protests, peace curriculum development, and rebuilding housing in Hiroshima. For more information, contact Liz Becker at lzhbecker@yahoo.com.
7. University District Conversation on Homelessness: Monday, April 8, 9-11:30 a.m., University Temple United Methodist Church, lower level, 1415 North 43rd Street. The discussion will include *Aging & Homelessness: Reasons, Rifts, and Responses*.

The meeting will feature:

- Presentations to help inform people's understanding of the problems facing those who are aging and dealing with the tough demands of living without homes
 - Tricia Madden of Neighborcare Health & Neal Lampi & Co. of Real Change will share their knowledge and join in discussion
 - Updates from Olympia, presented by Nancy Amidei and strategies advocates can use to influence our legislators in support of services & housing for all.
 - Group will celebrate of 4 years of working together, assess the "now", and plan for our future efforts.
8. CUCAC Meeting: Tuesday, April 9, UW Tower, 22nd Floor, 4333 Brooklyn Avenue. The agenda includes a briefing on the University Intellectual House Project and updates on several items including the Burke Gilman Trail, UPass and UW Transportation Management, Husky Stadium, the UW police station and WSDOT 520 project mitigation on the campus. For more information, contact Steve Sheppard at 206-684-0302 or steve.sheppard@seattle.gov.
 9. Magnuson Park Advisory Committee (MPAC) Meeting: Wednesday, April 10, 6-7:30 p.m. For meeting location and information about the agenda, contact Susan Wall at susan.wall@seattle.gov.

10. Jack Straw Productions and Washington Composers Forum Presents: [The Composer Spotlight Series](#): Wednesday, April 10, 7:30 p.m., Jack Straw Productions, 4261 Roosevelt Way NE. Free. *A series of talks and performances by composers, musicians, and scholars of new and innovative music every second Wednesday of each month.* Nolan Stolz will talk about how his experience as a jazz and rock drummer has influenced his compositional approach. The talk will feature live performances of *Princess Ka'iulani* (2010) for flute, and the first movement of *Piano Sonata* (2012).
11. Free Tax Help at the Library: Thursdays through April 11, Northeast Branch Library, 6801 35th Avenue NE. The Seattle Public Library, United Way of King County and the American Association of Retired Persons (AARP) are collaborating to offer free tax preparation service. Trained volunteers will answer questions and help prepare personal tax returns. The service is not available for business tax returns. Drop-in assistance will be offered on a first come, first served basis. For more information, call the library at 206-684-7539.
12. Park Board Meeting: Thursday, April 11, 6:30-9 p.m., Park Board Room, 100 Dexter Avenue North. The agenda and briefing papers on agenda topics are generally available on the Park Board web page at www.seattle.gov/parks/parkboard the Friday before the meeting. For more information, contact Sandy Brooks at 206-684-5066 or sandy.brooks@seattle.gov or go to www.seattle.gov/parks/parkboard/default.asp.
13. Early Bloomers Plant Sale: Saturday, April 13, 10 a.m.-2 p.m., Plant Donations Nursery and the Pat Calvert Greenhouse, Washington Park Arboretum. Free parking and admission. Great selection of young trees and shrubs and early blooming perennials such as hellebores, trilliums, primroses, pulmonaria and hepatica. For more information, call the Arboretum Foundation at 206-325-4510 or email info@arboretumfoundation.org.
14. The Roosevelt Neighborhood Celebrates Earth Day with a Community Clean-Up! Sunday, April 14, 9 a.m.-1 p.m., meet at Whole Foods Market. The Roosevelt Neighborhood Association and Whole Foods Green Team are sponsoring this Spring Clean event. Community Volunteers will be working with Seattle Public Utilities (SPU) to do general clean up, graffiti paint out and storm drain stenciling. All are welcome and encouraged to take part! For more information, contact Michele Cole at michele9139@comcast.net or Ellen Stoecker at emstoecker@comcast.net.
15. Revised Project and Design Review Board Recommendation Meeting: Monday, April 15, 6:30 p.m., University Heights Center, 5031 University Way NE, Room 209. The proposal is for a four-story building containing 50 residential units at 5043 Brooklyn Avenue NE. No parking proposed. Changes proposed to the original project (MUP #3012186) include: revisions to the approved windows and materials on all facades. DPD will accept written comments through April 15, 2013. Neighbors are invited to offer comments regarding site planning and design issues in the project design. Comments and requests to be made party of record should be submitted to PRC@seattle.gov or City of Seattle – DPD – PRC, 700 5th Avenue, Suite 2000, P.O. Box 34019, Seattle, WA 98124-4019.
16. Seattle Speaks—Shaping Seattle Neighborhoods: Tuesday, April 16, 6:30 p.m., downstairs at Town Hall, corner of 8th Avenue and Seneca Street, enter from Seneca. Admission is free, but registration is required at www.SeattleCityClub.org or 206-682-7395. Doors open at 6 p.m. Town Hall Seattle, Seattle CityClub and The Seattle Channel present a live televised *Seattle Speaks* discussion on the rezoning of Seattle's neighborhoods—what goes into making a neighborhood great and keeping it that way. This discussion, led by Seattle Channel host Brian Callanan, addresses lessons from past efforts; how citizen voices are heard in the process; and how policymakers should balance issues such as economic development, open space, densification, long-term growth, and neighborhood desires, all

while keeping Seattle *Seattle*. Featured panelists include Seattle City Councilmember Richard Conlin; Ada M. Healey, Vice President of Real Estate for Vulcan Inc.; and Department of Planning and Development Director Diane Sugimura. Audience members may participate at Town Hall or online, where they can take part in the polls and voice opinions via social media and e-mail. For more information, go to www.townhallseattle.org, www.seattlecityclub.org, or www.seattlechannel.org.

17. 46th District Democrats Candidate Forum: Wednesday, April 16, 6:30 p.m., Third Place Books, 17171 Bothell Way NE, Lake Forest Park. Candidates in the following races are invited: King County Executive, King County Sheriff, Kenmore City Council, Lake Forest Park City Council, Shoreline School District, Northshore School District, KC Fire District 16, Lake Forest Park Water District, Shoreline Water District, Northshore Utility District, and Public Hospital District 2. For more information, contact Sabrina Hill, Chair, at chair@46thdems.org or 206-855-5186 or David Miller, Elections Chair and 1st VP, at elections@46dems.org or go to <http://46dems.org/>.
18. Public Meeting to consider Landmark Nomination for Montlake School: Wednesday, April 17, 3:30 p.m., Seattle Municipal Tower, 700 5th Avenue, 40th Floor, Room 4060. The public is invited to the Landmarks Preservation Board to comment on the nomination. Written comments should be received by the Landmarks Preservation Board at the following address by April 16, 2013, by 5:00 p.m.: Seattle Landmarks Preservation Board, Dept. of Neighborhoods, P.O. Box 94649, Seattle WA 98124-4649. Copies of the Landmark Nomination will be available for public review at the Department of Neighborhoods Office, at Seattle Municipal Tower, 700 5th Avenue, Suite 1700, 206-684-0228. Nominations are also posted on the Department of Neighborhoods website at www.seattle.gov/neighborhoods/preservation/landmarks.htm under the heading of "Current Nominations."
19. Red Cross Webinars—Safe in the Sound: The Red Cross is looking to better prepare 1,000,000 individuals in the Western Washington area and it only takes 15 minutes a month. To learn more about Safe in the Sound, go to www.safeinthesound.org. Click on the links below to register.
 - Earthquake Preparedness: April 17, 10:30 a.m. What do people mean when they talk about "the Big One"? Is it better to take shelter in a doorway or under a table? How can I make my home safer in case of an earthquake? Learn the answers to these questions and more in this short webinar about the earthquake threat in our area and how to prepare yourself and your family. To register, click on this link [Earthquake Preparedness](#).
 - Pet Preparedness: May 15, 10:30 a.m. Learn how to prepare and plan for the furry, feathered, or fuzzy members of your family. They can't prepare themselves, but you can! To register, click on this link [Pet Preparedness](#).
20. 46th District Democrats General Membership Meeting and Candidate Forum: Thursday, April 18, 6:30 p.m., North Seattle Community College. Candidates for the following races have been invited: King County Council, WA Court of Appeals, King County Superior Court Position 20, Port of Seattle, Seattle Mayor, Seattle City Council, and Seattle School District. For more information, contact Sabrina Hill, Chair, at chair@46thdems.org or 206-855-5186 or David Miller, Elections Chair and 1st VP, at elections@46dems.org or go to <http://46dems.org/>.
21. City Council Brownbag to Discuss Micro-Housing Developments: Thursday, April 18, 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m., Council Chambers, 2nd Floor, City Hall, 600 Fourth Avenue. Share your views and recommendations on microhousing with Councilmembers Tom Rasmussen, Nick

Licata, Sally Clark and Richard Conlin. Representatives from DPD and the Office of Housing will discuss Seattle's experience with this housing type.

Micro-housing projects are generally comprised of apartment or townhome-style dwelling units, each of which contains several (often seven or eight) smaller living quarters clustered around a shared kitchen and laundry area. Each of the smaller living spaces within the dwelling unit is leased to an individual tenant. These spaces are typically 150 to 200 square feet in size and equipped with a kitchenette (refrigerator, microwave, sink) and private bathroom. Rent levels vary by location but are often in the range of \$600 to \$750 per month.

Because micro-housing is not well-defined in City codes it also may not be adequately regulated. Some of the issues and concerns the public has raised about Seattle's growing stock of micro-housing include:

- Within micro-housing projects, DPD currently counts the several small living quarters that surround a common kitchen and laundry area as a single dwelling unit (e.g., one apartment with eight bedrooms and eight bathrooms). As a result, most micro-housing projects do not meet the threshold for design review. Normally the design review process also provides opportunities for neighbors to comment and offer input on proposed projects.
- DPD's current practice of counting multiple living quarters within a micro-housing project as a single dwelling unit also complicates efforts to measure progress toward adopted growth targets in neighborhoods where micro-housing is located. It also can affect whether a proposed micro-housing project is subject to environmental review under the State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA).
- Micro-housing may not be an appropriate building type for all multifamily residential zones.
- Micro-housing projects are generally designed to house 30 to 60 individuals; however, on-site parking is rarely provided.
- The high cost of this housing on a price per square foot basis.

22. University District Art Walk: Friday, April 19. Art Walks are a monthly happening in the U District that afford the community the chance to see gallery openings and new exhibits. This month KEXP has a photography exhibit at Trabant Chai Lounge at 1309 NE 45th Street. For more information and to check out the Art Walks and exhibits go to <http://www.udistrictartwalk.org/>.

23. Take the City's Online Tech Survey: The City of Seattle is asking residents to visit Seattle.gov/tech before April 19, to fill out a survey about their use of technology and preferences in receiving City information and engaging with local government and community. The survey, available in English and Spanish, covers Internet, cable TV customer satisfaction, social media, and cell phones.

24. KEXP 90.3 FM in the U-District: Friday, April 19, 6 a.m.-6 p.m., Red Square on the UW Campus. KEXP is hosting an all-day event to thank the U-District community for powering KEXP through their "Hood-to-Hood" Challenge. [KEXP 90.3 FM](http://KEXP90.3FM) will be broadcasting LIVE from the beautiful U-District. For more information, contact Sharlese J. Metcalf at sharlese@kexp.org.

25. Seattle Children's Annual Garden Sale: Friday, April 19, noon-6 p.m., Saturday, April 20, 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Sunday, April 21, 10 a.m.-2 p.m., Children's Administration Building, 6901 Sand Point Way NE. Shop for perennials, annuals, shrubs and trees and receive expert advice from Seattle Children's groundskeepers. Presented by the Laura Brigman Guild. For more information, call 206-987-2153.

26. Sad News: Lynn Ferguson's dear husband John sadly unexpectedly died on Friday, March 29, probably due to a blood clot to the lungs. A memorial service is planned on April 20, 2-4 p.m. at the UW Faculty Club. Lynn's address is 6422-NE 60th Street 98115 and her email is lynnferguson65@comcast.net.
27. Emergency Preparedness Faith-Based Forum: Saturday, April 20, 8:30-11:30 a.m., Northgate Community Center, 10510 5th Avenue NE, 98125. The greater Puget Sound area is at risk for earthquakes that are similar in magnitude and devastation to the March 11th earthquake that occurred off the Japanese coast. When our area experiences a similar earthquake the success of our response and recovery will heavily depend on the resilience and self sufficiency of our community. Faith-based organizations have played a critical role in responding to disasters big and small. Community members look to these institutions for information, resource services and spiritual guidance in the event of a major disaster. This forum will feature videos of community resiliency and inter-faith collaboration, Conversation Café style discussions and resources. Seattle Public Utilities will be on hand to offer free recycling and food waste signage and stickers for bins at faith-based facilities, rebate opportunities and utility rate assistance. For more information, contact Tracy Connelly at tracy.connelly@seattle.gov. Please RSVP by April 12.
28. Parks and Green Spaces Levy Oversight Committee Public Hearing: Monday, April 22, 6-9 p.m., Miller Community Center, 330 19th Avenue E. The Parks and Green Spaces Levy Oversight Committee has scheduled this public hearing to gather public comments on the proposed second round of Opportunity Fund projects before submitting its recommended projects to the Parks and Recreation Superintendent, Mayor and City Council. The Levy Opportunity Fund is a \$15 million fund within the \$146 million Levy allocated to projects identified by neighborhood and community groups. After consideration and recommendation by the Oversight Committee, funding for these acquisition and/or development projects are approved by ordinance. The City Council approved a first round of Opportunity Fund projects in April 2011, and this hearing is for the second round that will allocate up to \$8 million. For more information, contact Rick Nishi at 206-733-9319 or rick.nishi@seattle.gov or go to www.seattle.gov/parks/levy/opportunity.htm.
29. Climate Project Deadline: Monday, April 22, 5 p.m. The Seattle Office of Sustainability & Environment is awarding 4 to 6 contracts to community groups and neighborhood organizations for projects that engage the community in reducing climate impacts. Proposals are being accepted for projects with a budget of \$10,000 or less. For more information, contact Sara Wysocki at sara.wysocki@seattle.gov or 206-233-7014 or go to www.seattle.gov/environment/climateprojects.htm for an application.
30. Roosevelt Neighborhood Association (RNA) General Meeting: GMO's: What's All the Fuss? Tuesday, April 23, 7 p.m. social and snacks, 7:30-9:00, movie shorts and speakers. Continuing on with the Earth Day theme, RNA will host a movie and discussion on Genetically Modified Organisms (GMO). Light non-GMO snacks will be provided. For more information, contact Michele Cole at michele9139@comcast.net or Ellen Stoecker at emstoecker@comcast.net.
31. FlorAbundance Spring Plant Sale: Saturday, April 27, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Sunday, April 28, 10 a.m.-3 p.m., Graham Visitors Center, Washington Park Arboretum. Free parking and admission. Stock up on high-quality perennials, vegetables, shrubs and trees. This magnificent sale, the largest in the Puget Sound region, features dozens of top specialty nurseries and vendors selling a wide selection of choice, locally-grown plants. You'll find trees, shrubs, beautiful conifers, native plants, vegetable starts, species and hybrid

rhododendrons, favorite and rare perennials, unusual annuals, glorious groundcovers, grasses, vines, and more.

Benefit from the advice of gardening experts, who'll be roving the aisles (in yellow aprons) to help with plant selections. And look for the colored surveyor flags, which will mark the favorite plants of Ciscoe Morris and Bob Lilly at the sale this year! What to look for this year:

- Grafted tomatoes (they're so hot right now!) from Log House Plants
- A fabulous collection of heirloom vegetables and tomatoes
- The best selection of clematis anywhere
- All the perennials you never knew you wanted
- Unusual shrubs from Colvos Creek and Robinwood nurseries
- And much, much more!

The vendor stalls will be set up in the main parking lot of the Graham Visitors Center. Shoppers will enter the sale at the parking lot gate. The Large Conference Room will be our hold area, and checkout will take place in the Big Greenhouse. We'll have lots of tents set up in the vendor area and near checkout to minimize exposure in the event of rain. Pick-up for large plant purchases will be at the parking lot gate of the Visitors Center.

Member pre-sale and party: Friday, April 26, 5:00-7:30 p.m., Graham Visitors Center, Washington Park Arboretum. Get the first pick of plants at the sale, while enjoying delicious finger foods, desserts, wines, and live music. Tickets prices will be announced soon. For more information, call 206-325-4510 or email info@arboretumfoundation.org.

32. Relay for Life: April 27-28, 2 p.m.-8 a.m., Dempsey Indoor Track, Montlake Boulevard NE and NE Pacific Place. Relay for Life is an overnight walk that raises funds that support the American Cancer Society. ACS funds research, programs and services that support cancer patients and their caregivers. ACS funds over \$2 million in research at the University of Washington Medical Center and provides a variety of programs for local patients. We are proud to say we are one of the top college Relay for Life events in the nation and look forward to raising over \$175,000 this year. To sign up or for more information, go to http://main.acsevents.org/site/TR?pg=entry&fr_id=48463.
33. NESTcafé with Rene Murry: Un "Stuff" Your Life, What Really Matters? Monday, April 29, 2-3 p.m., Magnuson Park Brig, Room 406. Part Presentation, Part Conversation, April's NESTcafé is sure to be a timely discussion on deciding what those extremely important **first steps** in spring cleaning are, and where to go from there. This event is put on in partnership with NEST and Seattle Parks and Recreation. For more information, email info@nestseattle.org or call 206-525-6378
34. Breakfast with the NSCC President: May 3, 8 a.m., North Star, North Seattle Community College. Join Mark Mitsui, President of North Seattle Community College for a light breakfast, in the North Star. Share what's going on in your community, any challenges and how to partner with NSCC. For more information, contact Anne Zacovic at Anne.Zacovic@seattlecolleges.edu.
35. School District 5 Community Meeting: Saturday, May 5, 10:00 a.m.-11:30 a.m., Capitol Hill Branch Library, 425 Harvard Avenue E 98102. For more information, go to <http://www.seattleschools.org>.
36. U-District Clean Up: Saturday, May 11, 9-9:30 a.m. breakfast and check-in, 9:30-noon clean up, 12-1:30 p.m. lunch and trash contest. Meet in the northwest parking lot of University Heights, NE 52nd and Brooklyn Avenue NE. Free food, free t-shirt, win prizes and help clean

up the neighborhood. To sign up, go to <https://sites.google.com/site/udistrictcleanup/>. Questions? Email udistrictcleanup@gmail.com.

37. UWBG Student Poster Exhibit: Public reception, Friday, May 17, 5:00 – 7:00 p.m., 3501 NE 41st Street. UWBG student posters will be on exhibit in the Miller Library. Topics include environmental horticulture, conservation biology, restoration ecology and much more. For more information, call 206-543-0415.
38. Save the Date! Coffee with the Sallys: Saturday, June 1, 9 a.m.-10:30 a.m., Café Racer, 5828 Roosevelt Way NE. Join Council President Sally Clark and Councilmember Sally Bagshaw to talk about what's happening in your community.
39. Spring and Summer Parks and Recreation Brochure is now available: Check out what programs and activities at community centers and pools are available for you and the kids this spring and summer at www.seattle.gov/parks/centers/northeast/spring_summer_13.pdf. Registration for spring quarter classes is underway. Registration for summer camps started April 4. And registration for summer quarter classes starts May 21.